In 2017, the NOAA's Coral Reef Conservation Program will be undergoing the development of a new strategy for coral conservation. To kickstart that process, we are beginning with a retrospective look at the progress we've made to date. This information will be a major part of the foundation of where we go from here in the building of a new coral reef conservation strategy. The seminars are also great entry point for those folks who may want to know more about the breadth and various capacities of the CRCP matrix and who would like to participate in strategic planning. Please consider attending as many of the presentations as possible.

The series of presentations will summarize the results of last year's various assessment and evaluation exercises. This includes the internal assessment of our domestic and international portfolios, the coastal/coral managers' survey and the summer's NOAA CRCP Ecosystem Science Evaluation. As a reminder, the goal of these activities was to determine progress made against our goals and objectives and the quality and usefulness of the products and information the program funds.

This series of presentations will provide an overview of our work across several thematic areas from 2010- present, as well as cover highlights from the internal assessment, managers' survey, and science evaluation as they relate to each theme. Each presentation will be followed by a discussion.

Please see below for a list of dates, times and topics, as well as details on how to participate remotely. We will send additional reminders closer to the presentation dates. We hope you can join us and please help spread the word to interested colleagues!

Presentations, Dates and Times

• Thursday, January 12, 2017 – A Retrospective on CRCP's Climate and International Activities with Britt Parker

Time: 4-5:30 p.m. ET

Location: Silver Spring, MD; SSMC4 9th Floor Large Conference Room - Rm 9153

 Tuesday, January 24, 2017 - A Retrospective on CRCP's Activities to Address Overfishing and Land-based Sources of Pollution with Tauna Rankin and Rob Ferguson

Time: 4-5:30 p.m. ET

Location: Silver Spring, MD; SSMC4 10th Flr. Large - Rm 10153

 Thursday, February 9, 2017 – A Retrospective on CRCP's National Coral Reef Monitoring Program, Sea floor Mapping and Coral Recovery Efforts with Justine Kimball and Jennifer Moore

Time: 4-5:30 p.m. ET

Location: Silver Spring, MD; SSMC4 9th Floor Large Conference Room - Rm 9153

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January 12th meeting:

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January 24th meeting:

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February 9th meeting:

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